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## *Shadowed Shiftmen . . .*

Far into the night, while most of us are sleeping, shift workers like Guy Ownby, left, keep the wheels of production spinning. See Page 5.

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**Our Cover . . .** Lovely Jean Patchett, one of the most sought-after models in the fashion world today, makes her fourth appearance on our cover wearing Philip Hulitar's evening dress in Burlington's rayon organza. Woven with Enka Rayon and featuring a tiny waist and bouffant skirt, this dress is sold by Bergdorf Goodman, New York; Millie B. Oppenheimer, Chicago; Sakowitz Bros., Houston; and Allardale Mendesolle, San Francisco.

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## *Our President's New Year's Message*

**W**E have just completed a year of difficulty and uncertainty. In some ways it was a disappointing year, for a market slump in textile yarns forced us to lay off a large number of employees.

In other ways it was a relatively successful year. We were able to keep more employees on the job than many companies and to continue our expansion program—preparing for the time when we not only will return to our normal production capacity, but surpass it.

It is my sincere hope that the coming year will be a prosperous and happy one for all of us.

Sincerely,

*John E. Bassill*

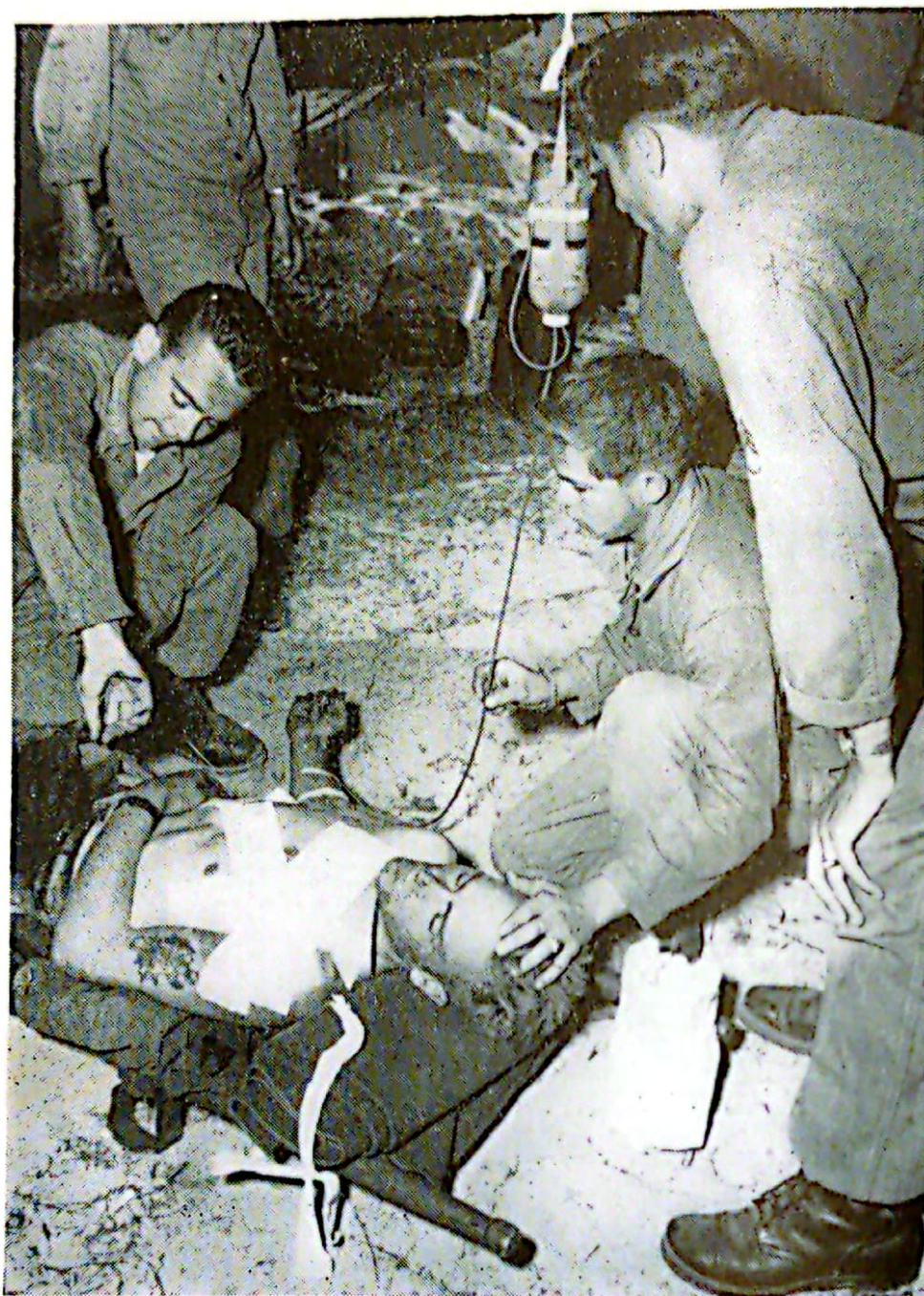


# *Just Ask a Korean Vet*

**PFC. RAYMOND M. ZAMORA**, an American soldier in Korea, receives blood plasma at the first aid station of the Fifth Cavalry Regiment, First Cavalry Division, for wounds inflicted by shell fragments.

This picture may appear to you, at first glance, to be just another war photo—neither pleasant nor pretty. But on closer examination, you will find that you had a very real part in the picture.

Blood plasma filters of the type with which Pfc. Zamora is being given a chance to live are made with Enka Rayon.



The battlefields of Korea are a long way from American Enka—about 10,000 miles — and when you're doing your rather routine job in the plants, you may at times think your contribution very small and insignificant.

But to prove how mistaken you are, just ask a Korean vet about supplies and equipment—and especially a wounded GI who received blood transfusions on the front lines. He'll buy your contribution anytime!





*Throughout the night the "Enka Rayon" sign at Lowland's gate is a radiant landmark for the surrounding countryside.*

## *Rayless Rayoning at Lowland*

When Old Sol bobs and finally goes down for the count . . . most Enka employces are home or, on these swarthy winter days, on their way home from work.

To this majority the miracle of rayon production is pigeon-holed till the next day. The whistle has blown, the clock has been punched, and it's home to the family and an evening of relaxation.

But even if yours is a daylight job, you've probably given a fleeting thought to just who does what in plant night work. Eclipsed Enkamen start their "day" at 3:30 p. m. and keep the yarn coming all night on "B" and "C" shifts.

On the succeeding pages, in an attempt to shed light on darkness, the VOICE takes you on a pictorial tour of Lowland's rayless rayoning.

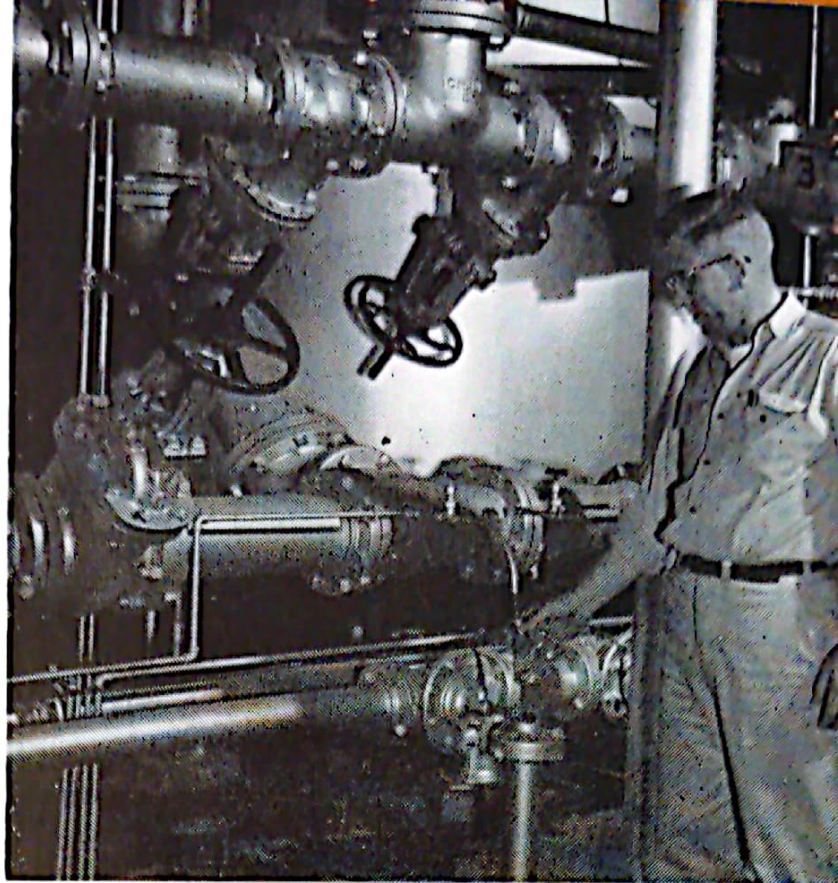




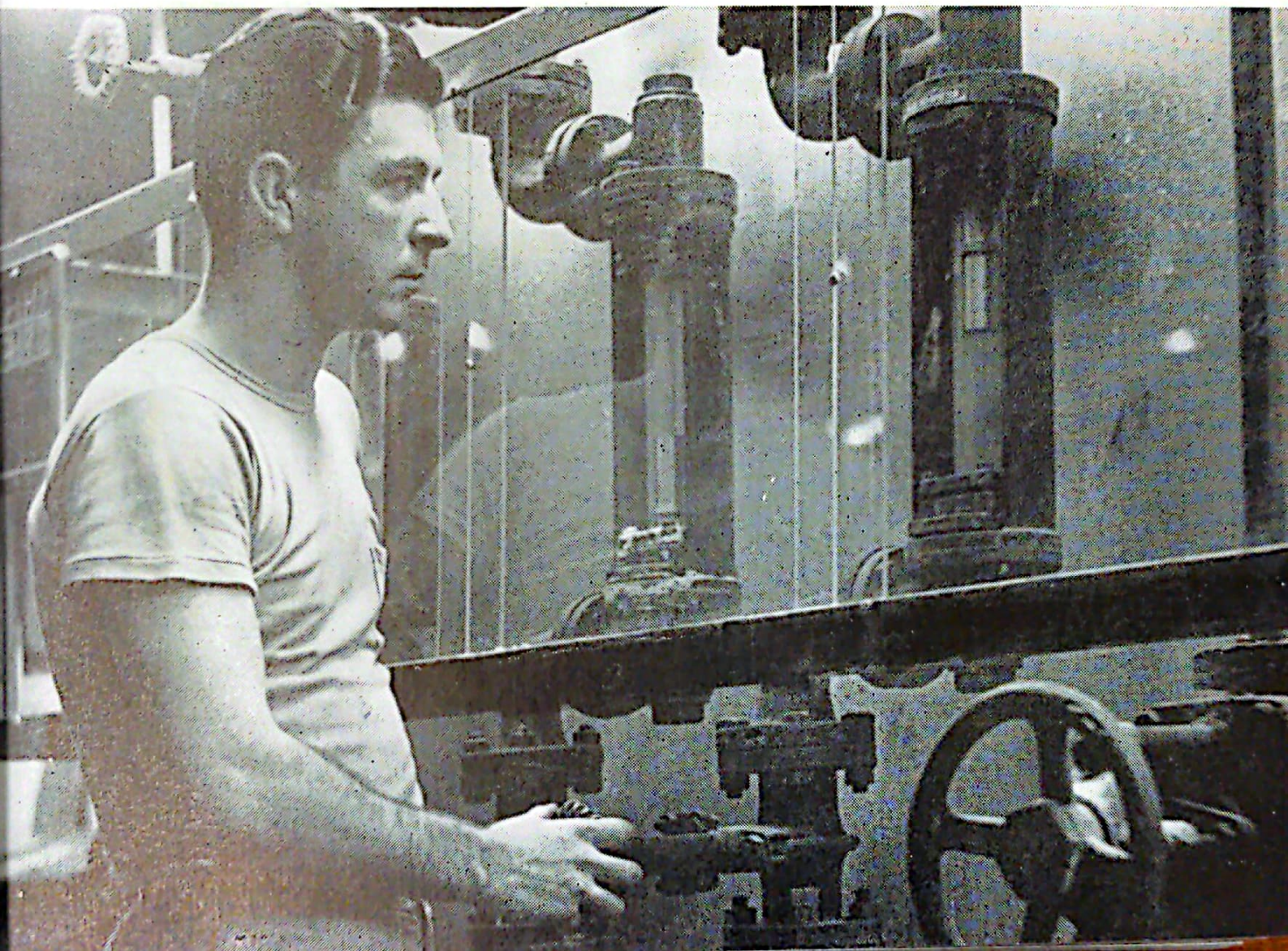


*Opposite page: Brown Purkey defies a chill wind and charcoal night to check the settling basins at the Filter Plant.*

*Right: Inside the Filter Plant building this time, Brown gets a water sample from a softener to run a hardness test. Although a lonely night charge, Brown's job keeps him constantly on the move.*



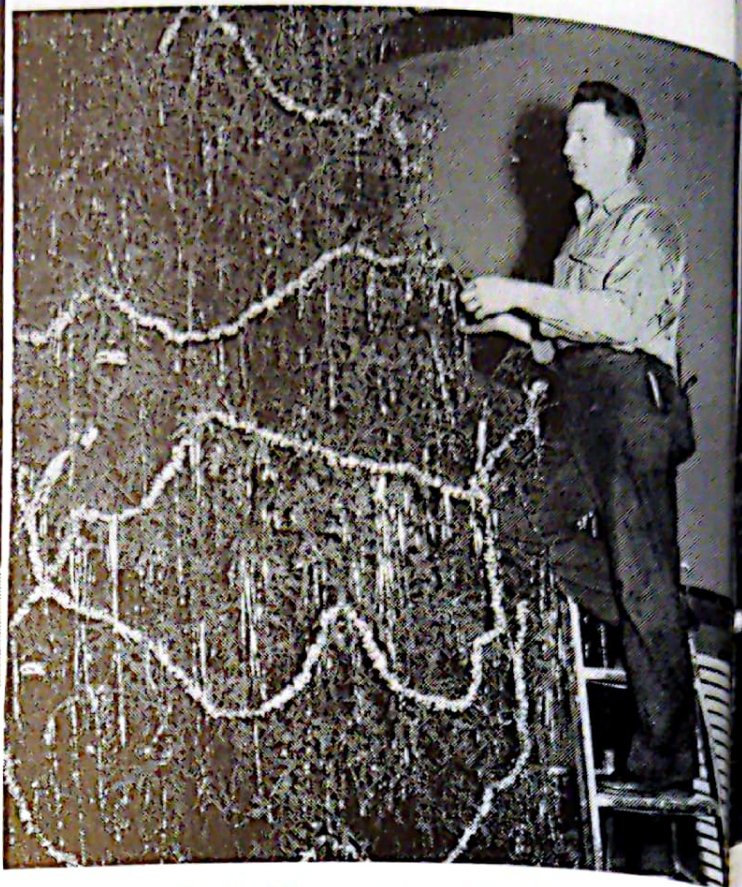
*V. C. Reynolds, below, checks the acid rotometers in the Spinning Bath Dept. Since the concentration of acids helps determine the quality of rayon, this is a 24-hour vigil.*







*Above: Shift Chemist Tom Davis looks like a book-worm carbonizing the midnight oil as he records data and instructions in acid control books.*



*Above: Shift Electrician E. W. Jaynes is a trouble shooter for any power difficulties that occur during the night. When he has time, he also handles routine electrical jobs like wiring the Christmas trees.*

*Below: Work and you've gotta eat. Relaxing over a snack in the cafeteria are, left to right, Robert Lawson, William Gill, DeWitt Skeen, and Guy Davis.*







*"B" Shifter W. H. Rines, above, sprays cake-wash troughs in the Lacquer Shop. Night lacquermen spray acid-exposed machinery and equipment from 3:30 p. m. to the Cinderella hour.*

*Grady Hardin, below, "D" Shift slasher operator, checks selvage as tire yarn is wound onto a warp beam. This is another 'round-the-clock operation.*

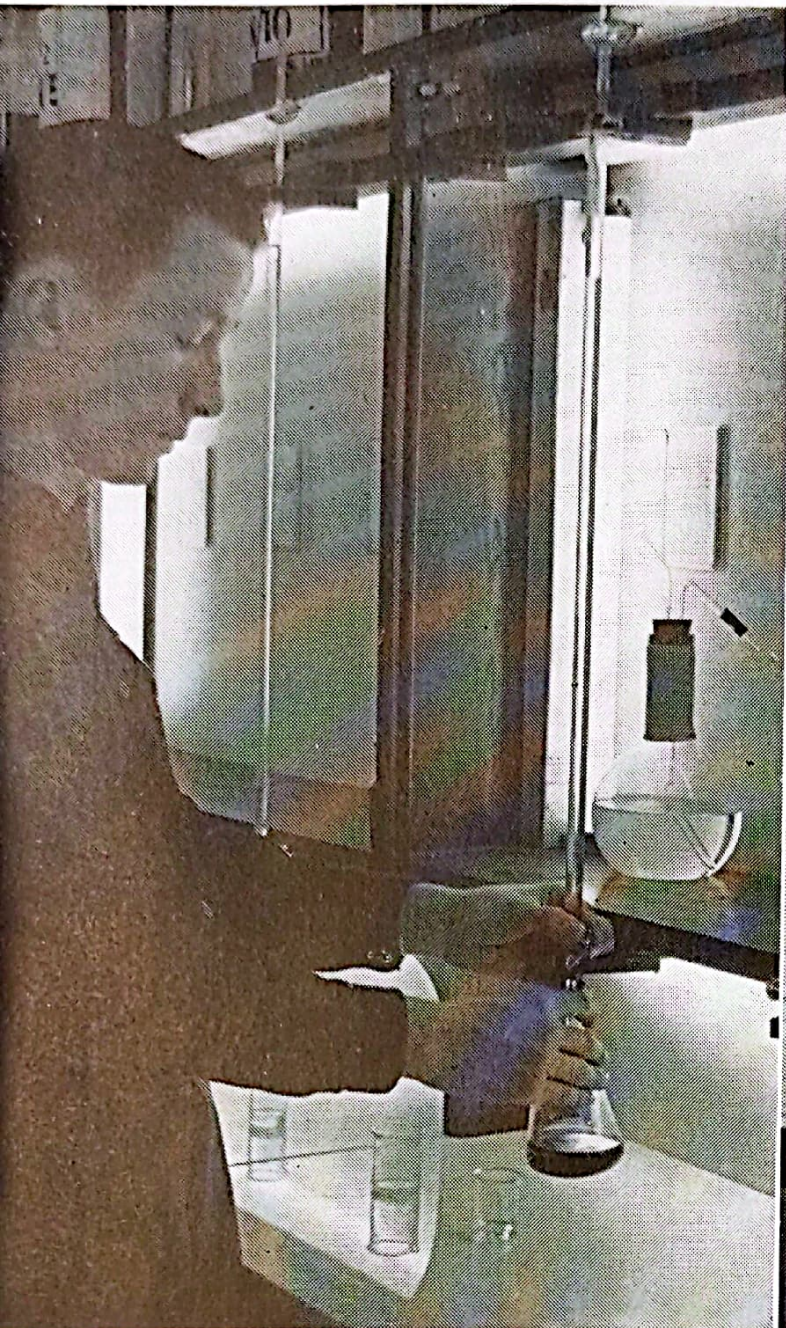






*The "women in white" always are indispensable. Below, Nurse Elinor Cowan removes a tray of instruments from an autoclave. Although the night-duty nurse's biggest job is availability for accidents and illnesses, she also prepares drugs and medications for the next day.*





*Left: J. C. Smith, assistant shift chemist, titrates samples from the Bleaching Dept. The Chemical Lab endlessly analyzes and controls all process solutions.*



*Right: Guard Howard Farrar punches a fire patrol key in the Textile Lab. A versatile group, the guards act as chauffeurs, operate the switchboard on week ends and from 12 a. m. to 8 a. m., handle warehouse issues from 3:30 p. m. to 7 a. m., direct traffic, accompany the nurses on first aid trips, and refill first aid kits. All this — besides plant security.*





*Christmas comes but once a year, and . . . atop the Employment Office near Lowland's front gate the beauty of the Yuletide Season is personified by this striking display.*



## FACTS AND FACES

# Santa, Toys, Movies, and Refreshments Are Big Hit with 1000 Lowland Children

Nearly a thousand children of Lowland Plant employees bulged the Textile Cafeteria last month to receive gifts, see Santa Claus, watch cartoons, and eat ice cream and cake.

The whoppin' big Yuletide Party, an annual affair, was staged in six different get-togethers of an hour each, starting at 10 a. m. and lasting till 6 p. m.

Girls received 31-piece tea sets and the boys cowboy flashlights with a

siren on one end and a secret code cover. Each child also got a large Christmas stocking filled with apples, oranges, candy, English walnuts, and a 14-inch peppermint walking cane.

Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, and Mighty Mouse entertained on the screen, and old Santa Claus was on hand to greet the kids.

Large green and red tea cakes and ice cream were served and devoured rapidly.

*Joe Q. Dougherty, director of Industrial Relations at Lowland, Betty Ann Tuttle of the Employment Office, and Lillian Campbell and Maude Arwood of Industrial Relations wear satisfied smiles after checking the 474 tea sets and 465 western siren-flashlights that were given to girls and boys attending the annual Christmas parties in the Lowland Cafeteria on Dec. 20. Employees who helped with the parties seemed to enjoy themselves as much as the youngsters did.*





# Sand Hill Men Stage Minstrel

Sand Hill School's auditorium rocked to the rafters on the nights of Dec. 7 and 8 when the Sand Hill Men's Club staged a hilarious old-time minstrel.

Presented to raise funds for improvements at the school, the two nights of jollity were howling successes, according to Al Pritchard, general chairman of the event and Enka Plant cashier.

Mr. Pritchard added that because the show brought smiles of fortune, the Club, a non-profit organization dedicated to a better Sand Hill community, had decided to make the minstrel an annual affair.

All members of the cast contributed to the skit, and Al DeClercq, an old-

time, professional minstrel man in the Asheville area, provided the props.

## Speaking Contest Open To High School Students

High school students in grades 9-12 are eligible to enter the 1952 speaking contest sponsored by the North Carolina Bankers Association in cooperation with all agricultural agencies.

Several thousand dollars will be awarded as well as local, regional, and state prizes for the best talks on "Green Pastures—Their Use and Management."

Students desiring more information

*Among the 60 persons who took part in the Sand Hill Men's Club's recent minstrel show were the black faces below: C. C. Marr, Ed Stokes, Salley Crowell, Jack Hipps of Enka's Textile Maintenance Dept., Luther Ferguson, and Bill Henry of the Plant Engineering Dept. Mark Jones, of the Textile Dept. was interlocutor. (Citizen-Times Photo)*





about the contest should see the local vocational teacher, high school principal, or county agent.

## Buddy Joyce Is Killed On Korean Battlefield

The many friends and fellow employees of J. O. (Buddy) Joyce, son of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Joyce of Rutledge, Tenn., are greatly saddened by the news that he has been killed on a Korean battlefield. He is the first Enka employee to lose his life in this war.

A graduate of Rutledge High School, where he was both a popular student and a star basketball player, Buddy was employed as a machinist at Lowland in May, 1948.

He entered the service a year ago last October and was killed in action last summer. He was 22 years old.

## Four Employees Receive Promotions at Lowland

Four employees received promotions at the Lowland Plant last month:

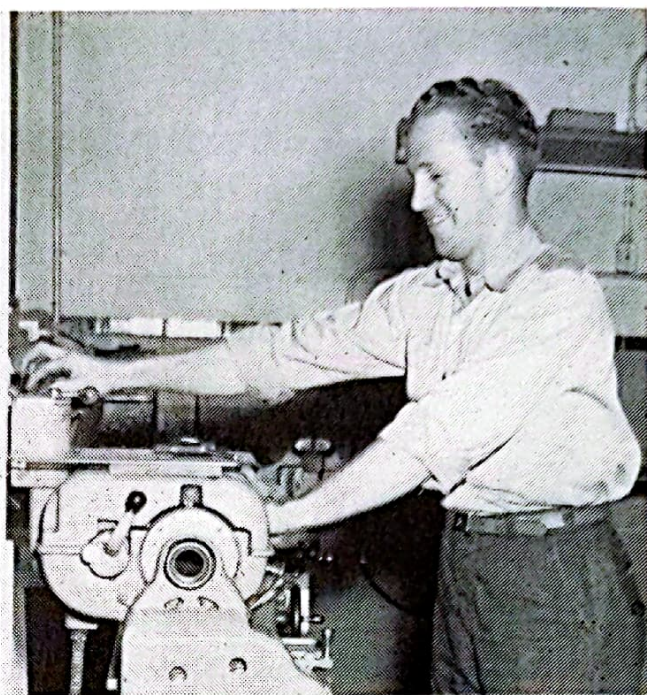
Yater P. Breeding moved up from shift foreman to relief shift foreman in the Textile Dept.

Albert E. Metts advanced from assistant shift foreman to shift foreman in the Textile Dept.

Vilas W. Rogers was promoted from slasher operator to assistant shift foreman in the Slashing Unit of the Textile Dept.

W. C. Anderson, formerly assistant foreman, became foreman of the Salvage Unit.

All four men are married and live in Morristown.



*Buddy Joyce, who gave his life in Korea, was one of our most promising and best-liked machinists. This photo was made at Lowland shortly before he entered the service in 1949.*

## The Stork Club

The births of 21 babies have been reported by Enka employee families during the last three months. Following are the names of the parents and children:

E. S. Petit, Spinnerette Dept., son Michael Eugene, Oct. 19.

Lee Van Hook, Coning, daughter Rebecca Lee, Oct. 21.

Eugene Hawkins, Spinning, daughter Diana Ruth, Oct. 23.

Ralph Rhinehart, Chemical Dept., daughter Barbara Gail, Oct. 24.

E. W. Phipps, Spinning, daughter Sharon Irene, Oct. 25.

R. L. Sisk, Power House, daughter Wanda Sue, Oct. 25.

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# Enka Guard Force Hawks Citizen-Times To Help Needy Children, Treat Newsboys

EXTRA! EXTRA! Three members of the Enka Plant Guard Force, R. B. Thompson, Wilson Morgan, and James F. Godfrey, last month joined Asheville's business and professional men in their annual Christmas sale of the Asheville Citizen-Times to provide hot lunches for needy children in the city schools.

About \$3100 was raised, which will take care of two-thirds of the children for the remainder of the present school year.

Covering the downtown area on Dec. 20, the volunteer newsmen sold their papers at prices ranging from 25 cents up—to whatever the buyer wanted to contribute.

Besides hot lunches for needy children, the money was used to treat street sellers of the two papers.

The entire Enka Guard Force hawked papers to employees on the way to and from work for the benefit of Max Ramey and Richard Whisnant, the newsboys who deliver regularly to the plant. Each of the two boys received \$141 which they promptly deposited in savings accounts at the Enka Credit Union.

## Additions to Enka Family

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Fred W. Walker, Chemical Lab, son Charles David, Oct. 28.

James Geter, Yard Dept., son Kieth, Nov. 2.

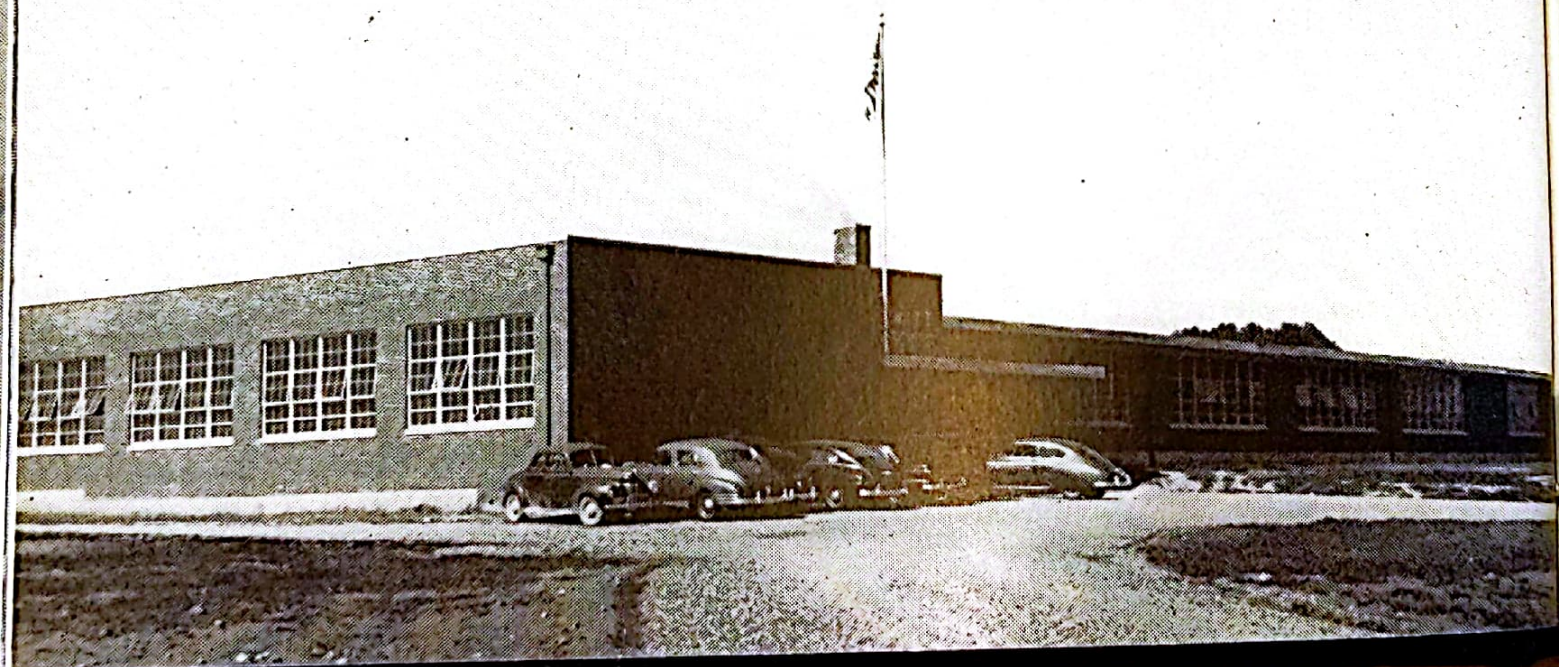
John T. Anderson, Pot Spinning, son Phillip Jay, Nov. 6.

George A. Hall, Lacquer Shop, daughter Donna Elaine, Nov. 7.

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*REPRESENTATIVE of Hamblen County's progressive educational system is the new Witt School, below. It is located near Lowland and attended by many children of employees.*

*With six modern elementary schools for approximately 1760 students and 53 teachers, Hamblen ranks among the best equipped counties in Tennessee.*





## W. G. Taylor's Sons on Duty In Rival Branches of Service

The sons of William G. Taylor of the Twisting Section at Enka are serving in two different branches



*Seaman Apprentice Taylor*

of the Armed Forces. Seaman Apprentice William T. Taylor of the Navy is aboard the USS Wisconsin, somewhere in the Korean area.

Pvt. Earl G. Taylor of the Army is stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Earl was employed in the Twisting Section at Enka until called into the service last August.



*Pvt. Taylor*

## Post Office Announces Sale of 4-H Stamps

The United States Post Office Department has announced plans to issue a special 3-cent stamp to honor the work of the nation's 4-H Club members.

According to L. R. Harrill, State 4-H Club leader for the N. C. State College Extension Service, the stamp will go on sale Jan. 15 at Springfield, O.

Club members in Western North Carolina and East Tennessee counties who desire first-day cancellations should send a limited number of addressed envelopes (not more than 10) to the Postmaster, Springfield, O., with a money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed.

An enclosure of medium weight

should be placed in each envelope and the flap either sealed or turned in. The outside envelope to the postmaster should be endorsed "First Day Covers."

The stamps will be arranged horizontally and issued in sheets of 50. The color will be green. An initial printing order of 111,000,000 has been authorized.

## Diaper Dampeners

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James Morris, Finishing, daughter Mary Frances, Nov. 9.

Aubrey Smith, Pot Spinning, son Everette Lewis, Nov. 14.

C. W. Roberts, General Mechanics Dept., son Terry Lynn, Nov. 16.

James O. Hall, Pot Spinning, daughter Linda Roscana, Nov. 19.

Charles M. Allen, Chemical Lab, daughter Mary Rebecca, Nov. 25.



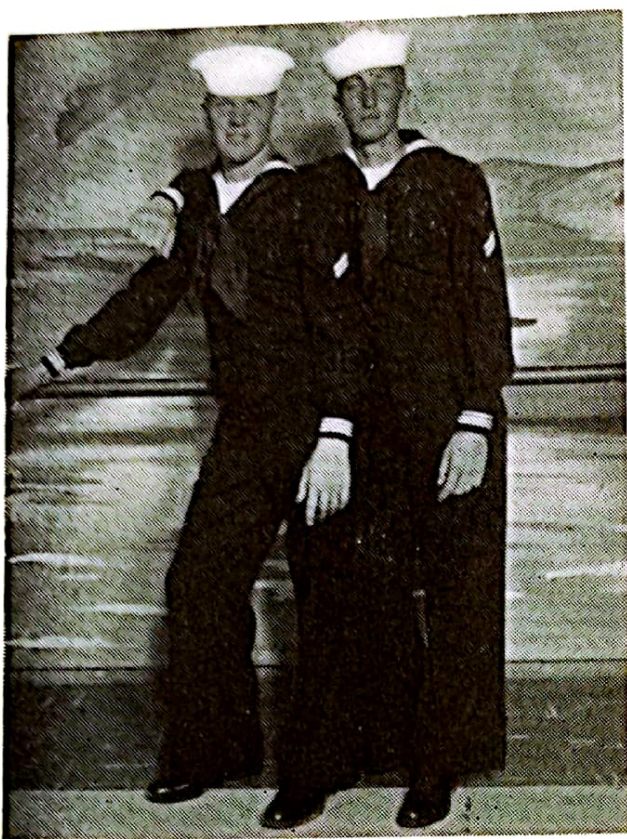
William C. Blankenship, Power House, daughter Marian Patricia, Nov. 26.

R. C. Holbrook, Plant Protection, daughter Cathy Marlene, Nov. 28.

Thomas C. Waugh, Building, daughter Sharon Elizabeth, Nov. 29.

Frankie J. Best, Spinnerette Dept., son David Michael, Dec. 2.

Irwin McElroy, Building, son Wallace, Dec. 7.



*CLOSE FRIENDS . . . Seamen Apprentice Kenneth Breedlove, right, and Charles Stennit pose together during a week-end liberty from the U. S. Naval Base at San Diego, Calif., where they have been stationed for several months.*

*SA Breedlove is the son of Ralph Breedlove of "C" Shift Chemical Dept. at Enka.*

## Fire Chief E. M. Salley Urges Employees to Use New Fire-Proof Liquids

Enka Plant Manager E. M. Salley, Jr., who also serves as chief of Enka's Volunteer Fire Dept., is urging more and more employees to use around their homes the new fire-proofing paints called Albi-R and Albi-K.

The liquids are white in color and inexpensive. Albi-R can be sprayed around furnaces and stoves, and Albi-K on drapes, curtains, or anywhere in the home where fires may occur.

The Enka Fire Dept. recently sponsored an Albi-R fire-proofing program at Candler and Sand Hill Schools. The campaign also included fire-proofing of all basements in Enka Village homes.

Chief Salley cited one case where loss of home in the Village as well as possible personal injury was prevented because Albi-R had been used.

Any employee interested in buying these miracle liquids should see J. S. Eubank of the General Stores Dept.

## C. E. Kiser Elected To City School Board

C. E. Kiser, director of safety at the Lowland Plant, has been elected to the Morristown, Tenn., city school board, it recently was announced.

The action was taken at an election by the mayor and aldermen. Mr. Kiser has spearheaded safety work in the city and county for several years.



## Company Donates \$1000 To Morristown Drives

American Enka Corporation, through its Lowland Plant, last month contributed \$1000 to two Morristown, Tenn., campaign funds.

Donations of \$500 each went to the Morristown Educational and Recreational Association and to the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The former fund will be used in further development of Cherokee Park at Cherokee Lake, and the latter to promote the current program of the City Recreation Department.

## Chris Cringle Time Spotlighted at Enka

Everybody last month was saying, "Happy New Year," "Merry Christmas," "Best Wishes," and all the other familiar Yuletide greetings. The Enka Plant got into the act, too, with its greetings—but in a big way—complete with lights and decorations.

On the pump house facing the Canton highway was a huge sign, 32 feet long and four feet high, which said, "Merry Christmas." Twenty-four floodlights—about eight feet back—flashed the sign to night motor-

ists and area residents.

After St. Nick returned to the North Pole, a new sign, "Happy New Year," replaced the old. Greenery, spruce and hemlock boughs, attractively splashed both signs.

Atop the Textile building, facing Sand Hill Road, was perched another large sign, 40 feet long and four feet wide, which read, "Season's Greetings." Twelve floodlights lit this display as well as Santa Claus, his sleigh, and six reindeer suspended on a wire above the sign.

Two candles at the gate and handsomely embellished trees in each of the plant's two cafeterias further carried out the Christmas Idea.

## Cupid's Corner

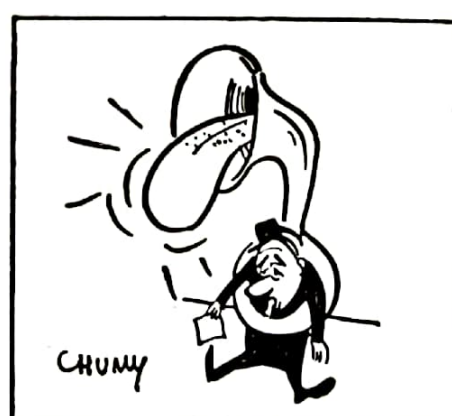
Wedding bells have rung at Enka and Lowland for the following couples. They have received the Company's customary gift of a wedding chest of silver:

### ENKA

The former Miss Marian Parker, Slashing, and Roy Bates, Aug. 18.

Jack O. Swanger, Finishing, and Miss Betty Reagan, Aug. 27.

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# *You and a Horseshoe Nail*

We've all heard Ben Franklin's story about the horseshoe nail. You know . . . "For the want of a nail the shoe was lost; for want of a shoe the horse was lost; for want of a horse the rider was lost, being overtaken and slain by the enemy—all for the want of a little care about a horseshoe nail."

Old Ben's tale isn't eye-wash. Each of us flits about from day to day often without as much as a wink at the future. But, for a change, let's ripple an ear at the sage old Philadelphian's wisdom.

We all know heart-rending stories about rightful beneficiaries losing out on insurance and other benefit payments because the benefactor neglected to change his beneficiary. Hardship, misunderstanding, and downright malice often follow such mixups.

All you need do to check or change your beneficiary is stop by the Benefits Section. It doesn't take a minute . . . and may save years of needless unhappiness for your loved ones.

Let's take Old Dobbin to the blacksmith today and get that nail put in!

J. H. Blankenship, Filter Crew, and the former Miss Effie Ledford, Sept. 1.

N. W. Posey, Machine Shop, and the former Miss Wilma Hetherly, Sept. 15.

Thurmond Smith, Spinning, and the former Miss Amanda L. Morgan, Reeling, Oct. 13.

The former Miss Gladys L. Buckner, Textile Lab, and Roy Fred Graham, Oct. 13.

The former Miss Wylma R. Hawkins, Textile Lab, and Harold R. Parris, Oct. 20.

The former Miss Wilma McCracken, Textile Lab, and Jack Blankenship, Nov. 17.

The former Miss Mary J. Whitt, Spinnerette Dept., and Claude E. Foister, Nov. 24.

Eugene E. Silver, Bleaching Lab, and the former Miss Julia Owen, Dec. 9.

## LOWLAND

Lloyd K. Hill, Spinning, and the former Miss Dorothy Evans, June 27.

R. C. Lee, Lead Shop, and the former Miss Anna Ruth Fullington, July 20.

A. L. Smith, Lead Shop, and the former Miss Alma Hicks, July 21.

Pfc. Clarence Dyer, on military leave from Warehouse, and the former Miss Syble Stroud, Aug. 6.

L. S. Frederick, purchasing agent and manager of General Stores, and the former Miss Ruth Massey, Aug. 17.



The former Miss Edna Rhea, Textile Lab, and Earl Cantor.

Bruce W. Morgan, Building Maintenance, and the former Miss Eula Sexton, Aug. 18.

Dowl White, Spinning, and the former Miss Marjorie Deering, Aug. 19.

The former Miss Geraldine Bible, Textile Lab, and I. J. Kirk, Sept. 11.

A. R. Zollars, Electrical Dept., and the former Miss Olive Hinkle, Sept. 15.

James T. Holbert, Plant Protection Dept., and the former Miss Bernice Beets, Sept. 22.

Sidney G. Dawson, Machine Shop, and the former Miss Dorothy Shelton, Oct. 5.

G. H. Miller, Chemical Dept., and the former Miss Carolyn Moore, Oct. 8.

J. D. Moore, Leadburning Shop, and the former Miss Blanche Kilgore, Oct. 13.

Cecil Mills, messenger, and the former Miss Aileen Denton, Nov. 2.

L. C. Proffitt, Sheet Metal Shop, and the former Miss Doris Cate, Nov. 10.

Dennis C. Rhoades, Spinning, and the former Miss Janet Shaver, Nov. 10.

The former Miss Helen Pritchard, Textile Dept., and Fred Thomas, Nov. 10.

The former Miss Lola Faye Parvin, Textile Lab, and R. L. Hux, Nov. 17.

Jack Davis, Electrical Dept., and the former Miss Virginia White, Nov. 19.

A. M. Duggan, Engineering, and the former Miss Reba Gamble, Nov. 21.

Earl B. Mills, Accounting, and the former Miss Farrell Lawson, Dec. 21.

Roy H. Cate, Spinning, and the former Miss Vennis McCambell, Nov. 24.

U. A. Branson, Electrical Dept., and the former Miss Anne Owens, Dec. 8.

## WHOOAAA, PODNUH

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◆ The tenderfoot who considered himself the scourge of the bridge paths back East mounted the pony. A moment later he painfully picked himself out of the dust in one corner of the corral.

"Wow," he said, "but he bucked somethin' awful."

"Bucked!" snorted a cowhand. "He only coughed."

◆ A tourist in Arizona came upon an Indian riding a pony. Walking at his side was a heavily burdened squaw.

"Why doesn't your squaw ride?" asked the tourist.

"She got no pony."

◆ A high powered salesman from West Texas was just finishing a glowing description of the opportunities of that part of the country to a prospect from New England. "All West Texas needs to become the garden spot of the world," he said, "is good people and water."

"Probably so," replied the New Englander. "That's all Hell needs."



## SPORTS & RECREATION

### Rayonite Cagers Face Heavy Loop Slate in January

Six Dixie League games highlight the January schedule of Enka's men of the hardwood. During the month, Monaghan, Peerless, and Piedmont will show their wares at the Enka Gym, and road trips are slated to

Peerless, Pelzer and McCrary.

In all, the Rayonites will meet 11 foes during the month. Two top opponents will be the Detroit Vagabond Kings and the Fort Jackson, S. C., Soldiers.

*DECEMBER'S most thrilling ball game was the spine-tingling contest with Clemson College, which the Tigers won by a 71-68 count. In this action shot, Deran Walters, Enka center, scraps for the ball with Forward Hicks of Clemson. Coming up at the left is George Lancaster (26) while Sam Patton (31) is at right. Other Clemson players are John McGraw, Joe Murray, and Barry Ryan. (Citizen-Times Photo).*





*MARION HALES (27), promising young forward of the Rayonites, bounds into the air to capture the ball in this action picture from the Enka-Furman University game last month. Enka downed the Purple Paladins 73 to 61. Furman is one of the surprise teams of the Southern Conference this season. (Citizen-Times Photo).*



In games through Dec. 21 the Rayonites won four of nine tilts. They were victorious in one of three league games, and three of five college frays. They lost to Goodyear.

In league action the Patton legions downed Piedmont 60 to 57 but dropped contests to Pelzer 88 to 79 and Hanes 62 to 61. Victories were notched 73 to 61 over Furman, 92 to 66 over WCTC, and 64 to 49 over The Citadel. Setbacks were suffered at the hands of Wake Forest, 67 to 57, and Clemson, 71 to 68, in college play.

Enka's worst defeat of several seasons came at the hands of the powerful Goodyear Wingfoots, 85 to 50.

The McCrary Eagles are currently leading the Dixie League field with one win and no defeats. Next

are the Peerless Woolens with three wins and one loss, and Dunear's dangerous Dynamos are tied with the Pelzer Bears for third place.

## Rayonites' January Schedule

- Jan. 3—MONAGHAN AT ENKA
- Jan. 5—PEERLESS AT ENKA
- Jan. 9—JOHNSON CITY PATYS AT ENKA
- Jan. 12—FORT JACKSON, S. C., AT ENKA
- Jan. 16—DETROIT VAGABOND KINGS AT ENKA
- Jan. 17—Enka at Pelzer
- Jan. 19—Enka at Peerless
- Jan. 23—PIEDMONT AT ENKA
- Jan. 24—Enka at Johnson City
- Jan. 26—Enka at McCrary
- Jan. 30—Enka at Hickory





**BLOCKING DOWN COURT . . .** Bud Granger (31), Furman University guard, throws a block on Enka's Deran Walters as the Enka center prepares to go in for a layup. Back of Walters is Furman's Neil Gordon. The Rayonites scuttled the Paladins 73-61. (Citizen-Times Photo).

## Blue Ridge Sets Dates For Tourney at Enka

The Blue Ridge Conference, an athletic league with 14 WNC schools, will play its annual basketball tournament at the Enka Gym, Feb. 25-28.

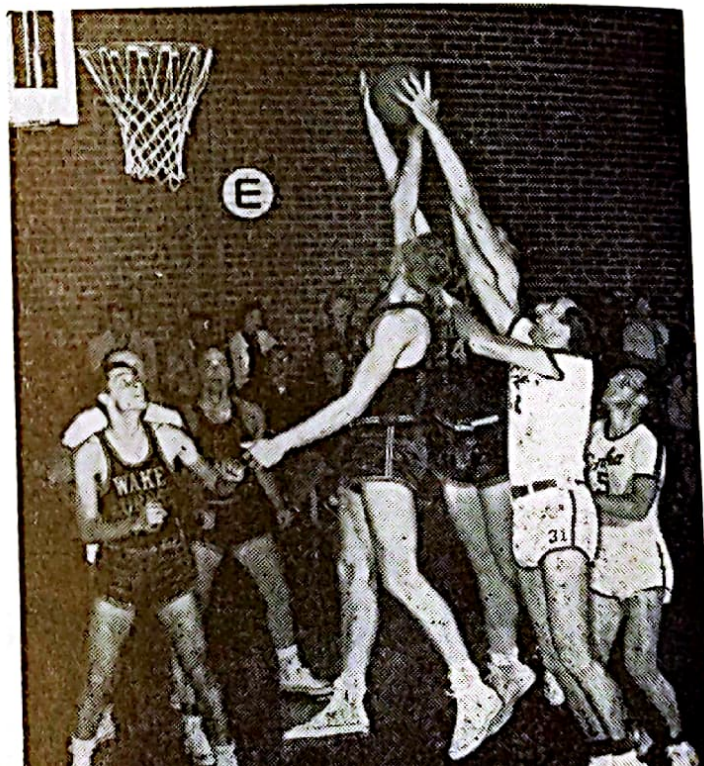
The conference recently admitted two new schools, Bethel and Marshall, and both are expected to take part in the tourney. Other schools are Brevard, Tryon, Hendersonville, Canton, Waynesville, Mars Hill, Christ School, Asheville School, Ben Lippen, Sand Hill, Biltmore, and Swannanoa.

*WAKE FOREST and Enka met on the hardwood in their annual test of strength last month with the Deacons emerging victorious 67 to 57. In the photo, big Dick Hemrick (24) goes up high to gain control of the ball with Ray Lipstas and Enka's Sam Patton. Vernon Rhodes is at right. (Citizen-Times Photo).*

## Dixie League Standings

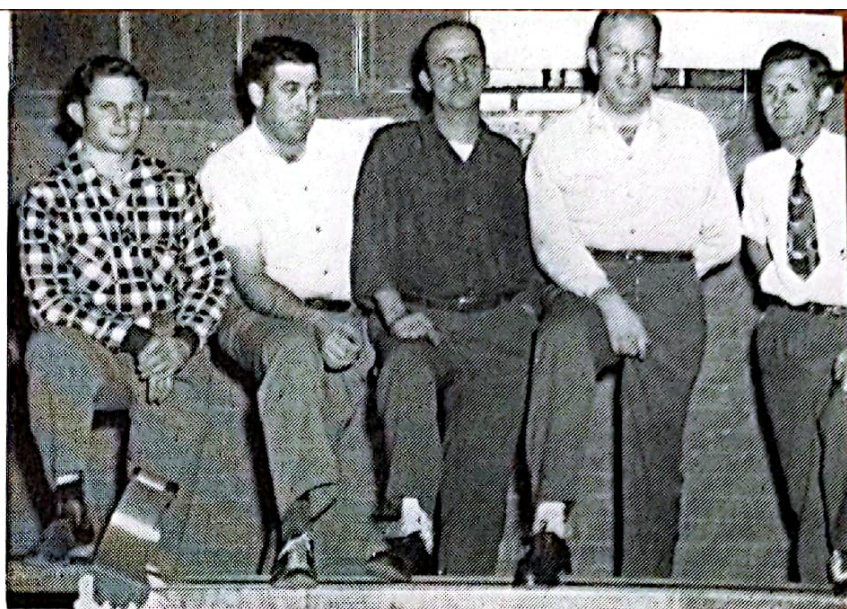
(Through Dec. 21)

| Team     | Won | Lost |
|----------|-----|------|
| McCrary  | 1   | 0    |
| Peerless | 3   | 1    |
| Duncan   | 3   | 2    |
| Pelzer   | 3   | 2    |
| ENKA     | 1   | 2    |
| Hanes    | 1   | 2    |
| Piedmont | 0   | 1    |
| Monaghan | 0   | 1    |





*THE ELECTRIC SHOP bowlers of the Enka Plant League are off to a good start in second round action with seven victories against five defeats. Left to right are John Bailey, Garland Sluder, Guy Pruett, John McClain and French Patterson.*



## Twisting Team Tops In Enka Plant League

The "B" Shift Twisting bowlers, low-standers in the first round of the Enka Plant League, have come to life during the second round and now occupy the top perch with a record of 7-1.

"C" Shift Spinners, champs of the first round, rank next with nine victories against three defeats.

Ernest Suttles commands the number one spot in the league with an average of 184, while Mark Jones rates second with 177.

Charley Brooks still holds the high game with a 271, mark while high set honors go to Mark Jones with 675. High team game is claimed by the "C" Spinners with a roll of 1081. They also registered the high set of 2962.

## Enka Bowlers Win 8 out of 10 Matches

After dropping in November to seventh place in the WNC Ten Pin Loop, a red-hot Enka bowling team has captured eight of the last 10 matches and now is in a four-way

tie for fourth place.

Arthur Henderson and Arthur Robinson, with averages of 182, pace the team. Othel Brooks and Lane King are next with 178, and Arthur Noble follows closely with 177. The team's record is 26 wins against 22 losses.

Ecusta is in possession of first place in the 12-team circuit.

During the past month the Enka girls' team of the Asheville Women's league dropped from fourth place into a tie for sixth, having lost 24 matches and won 21.

Josie Stevens, the team's newest member, is sporting an average of 139. Mary Hamlett trails with 132, and Judy Carter and Phyllis Shoemaker rank next at 128. Viola Bishop has a 124 average.

### PLANT LEAGUE STANDINGS

| Team                   | Won | Lost |
|------------------------|-----|------|
| "B" Twisting           | 7   | 1    |
| "C" Spinning           | 9   | 3    |
| Spool Spin. Inspectors | 8   | 4    |
| Outside Mechanics      | 8   | 4    |
| Electric Shop          | 7   | 5    |
| Fire Dept.             | 7   | 9    |
| Industrial Engineers   | 3   | 9    |
| Machine Shop           | 3   | 9    |
| Drafting               | 2   | 6    |
| Finishing Office       | 2   | 6    |



# Teen-Agers Teeter Enka Gymnasium In Fifth Annual Basketball Program

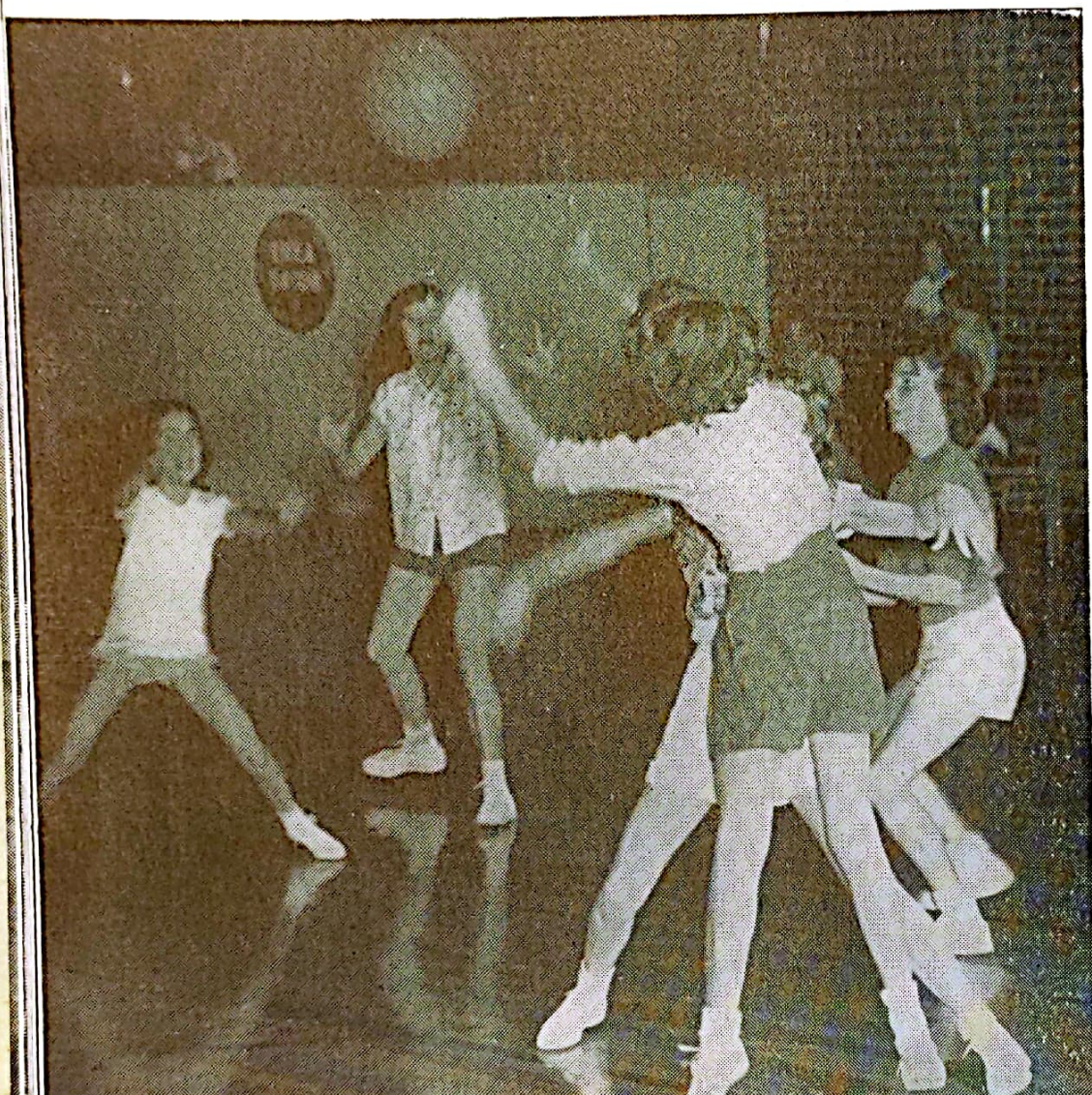
The Enka Gymnasium is rocking from its heels these chill winter evenings . . . and there's a good reason for it.

The small fry's of the Enka Plant community are matching wits and skill in the fifth annual teen-agers' basketball program. You'll find mid-gets and juniors and feminine representation, too, bounding up and down the hardwood with little regard for life, limb, or defeat.

These kids—now numbering about 300—take their basketball seriously. This not only is a genuine desire on their part, but pretty much a neces-

sity. No horseplay or buffoonery is allowed. All play is organized under the regulations-minded Sam Patton, Enka athletic director, and Dick Gudger, assistant. Sam and Dick make the hardwood dwarfs toe the line—and, in the end, the kids appreciate it.

The boys' teams are broken down into two classes—the midgets, ranging in age from 10 through 13, and the juniors, from 14 through 16. The midget league has eight teams and the junior circuit six—with about 10 players to a squad. The gals, aged 10 through 16, are lumped to-



*Teen-age lasses scramble for the ball in the fifth annual small fry's basketball program now under way at the Enka Gymnasium. Beverly Baumburger, daughter of Bob Baumburger of the Enka Payroll Dept., is shooting at left. Despite her size, Beverly is a phenomenal net-swisher—in a recent game pumped 12 of her team's 14 points through the hoop.*



gether into 14 teams.

With each team playing about 15 games, the program continues through March when a wind-up tournament is held. Miniature basketballs then are awarded members of winning teams. Throughout the season, an all-star five, sifted from all teams, plays outside competition such as the Asheville Y Midgets and quintets from Candler and Sand Hill Highs.

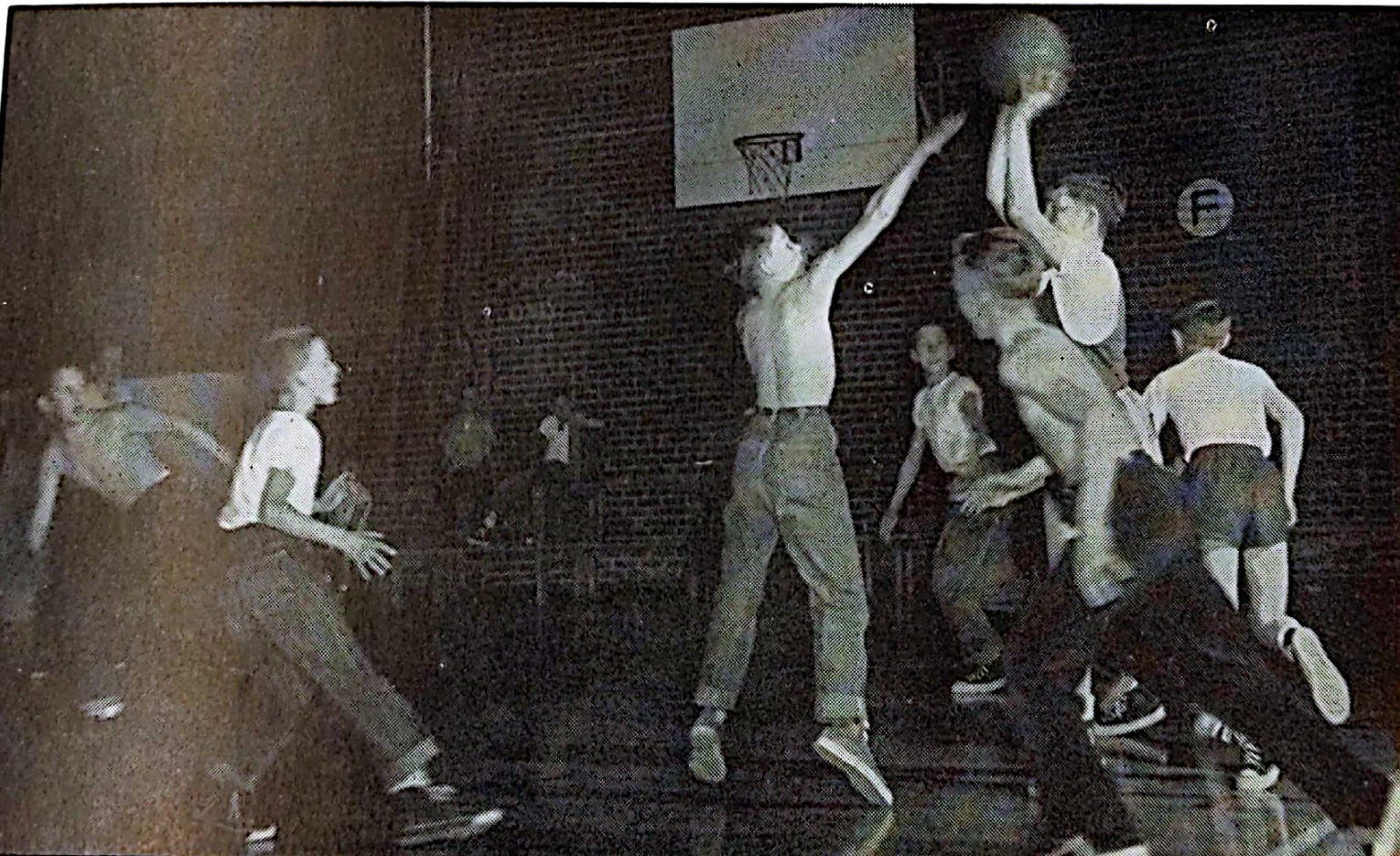
The program is underpinned by a sincere desire on the part of the Company and athletic staff not only to build physical lustihood and develop athletic potentialities among our young people, but to give them in their formative years a taste of competitive spirit, leadership, and supervised activity.

The overall teen-age program embraces not only basketball, but baseball, touch football, and other sports. This provides off-school and after-school recreation on a year-'round basis. The only requirement for



*Joyce Massie, 13, is captain of one of the girls' teams—yet unnamed, but undefeated in its initial two starts this season.*

*An overhand pass is near execution in this slam-bang, tooth and nail hardwood clash between two midget loop squads.*





participation is that the kids must regularly attend school.

Names of the basketball teams usually are animalistic contrivances, such as Tigers, Rams, Lions, and even Skunks. One squad is called the Little Rayonites.

An added incentive to get into the program is that each half-pint basketballer is given a pass to all home games of the Company's team, the Rayonites. The kidswarm bursts into the gym at these tilts to whoop it up for their grown-up heroes and learn a few tactics for their own use.

Rangy Sam Patton is ideal for his supervisor's post. He's a Gibraltar of patience and is never too busy to cock a sympathetic ear toward a small fry problem. Before organized play begins, Sam grounds his new crop in fundamentals. He also keeps a constructively critical eye on their play-progress throughout the season. The kids idolize the big guy, and nobody questions his talent to bring out the best in young people.

Asked what he thought of the program, Lee Farmer, a leg-bruised, curly-haired lad of 13 from Candler, said, "We make a lot of new friends and have a lot of fun. It's really great." Lee captains the Robins,

undefeated in their first two goes this year in the midget loop.

The girls, too, are delighted with the program. Joyce Massie, a 13-year-old Beaver Dam School lass who generals an undefeated but as yet unnamed team, said, "There's nothing like it; we enjoy basketball just as much as the boys."

## 200 Youngsters Attend Christmas Party at Enka

The annual Christmas party for youngsters of the Enka, Candler, and Sand Hill communities was held at the Enka Gym Friday night, Dec. 21, with about 200 attending.

The party was highlighted by a color movie, "Mickey." Refreshments were served during the evening. The event was sponsored by the Enka Plant.

## Candler to Play at Enka

The Candler High basketball teams have scheduled three double-headers at the Enka Gym during January.

Coach Roy Phillips' charges meet the Valley Springs girls and boys on Jan. 18, Black Mountain on Jan. 22, and Sand Hill on Jan. 25.



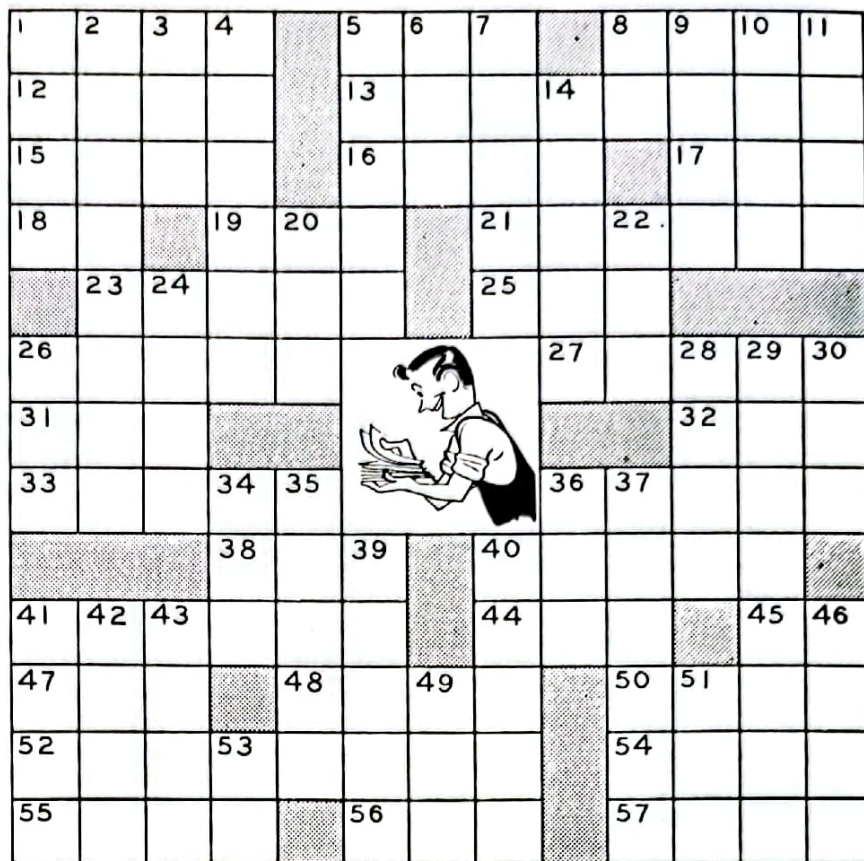
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# Plant Puzzler

## ACROSS

1. Rate to which premiums and incentive pay are added
5. Enka bases its salaries on \_\_\_\_\_ evaluation
8. Production employees are paid every \_\_\_\_\_
12. New York Sales Representative
13. Over 40 hours' work
15. High cards
16. Vegetable
17. Equip
18. Note of musical scale
19. Part of verb *to be*
21. Articles of faith
23. Nymph
25. Crafty
26. Animal
27. Meager
31. Insect
32. Auto
33. To soak pulp in lye solution
36. Dirty
38. Chewing confection
40. Assistant controller in charge of tabulating and payrolls



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|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 41. Electrical discharge | 20. Rodent                                        |
| 44. Payroll machines     | 22. Location of Enka's sales headquarters         |
| 45. Centimeter (ab.)     | 24. Basis of salary and wage payments             |
| 47. Exclamation          | 26. College degree (ab. plural)                   |
| 48. Clothed              | 28. Solution in spinning bath                     |
| 50. Jacob's brother      | 29. One of cards used in making out salary checks |
| 52. Deducted from pay    | 30. Attempt                                       |
| 54. Belonging to us      | 34. Self                                          |
| 55. Misplace             | 35. To make a hole in a name card                 |
| 56. Watch secretly       | 36. Sailor                                        |
| 57. Team                 | 37. Romantic fellows                              |

## DOWN

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Vessel                       | 36. Sailor                     |
| 2. Prevented by safety measures | 37. Romantic fellows           |
| 3. Personal pronoun             | 39. Men                        |
| 4. Literary compositions        | 40. Flighty                    |
| 5. Bantered                     | 41. Hood                       |
| 6. Eggs                         | 42. A state                    |
| 7. Pulleys                      | 43. Decays                     |
| 8. Weight (ab.)                 | 46. Contemplate                |
| 9. Ireland                      | 49. High mountain              |
| 10. Send forth                  | 51. Possessive pronoun (Latin) |
| 11. Casks                       | 53. Personal pronoun           |
| 14. Spools                      |                                |

## Last Month's Answer

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
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(Answer next month)





# Small Frys'

## Brenda Price, Norma Shelton Win January Contest Awards

Brenda Lea Price, 8, of Newport, Tenn., and Norma Shelton, 11, of Weaverville, N. C., are the January winners of the Playground's poem and suggestion contests.

Brenda Lea is the daughter of Mrs. Mamie Lea Price of the Textile Dept. at Lowland, and Norma is the daughter of Burgess Shelton, day worker in the Enka Plant Chemical Dept.

Brenda Lea won a \$1 prize for her poem "Faith," and Norma now can add a dollar to her savings for entering the best suggestion of what the children's page should include. A few of her jokes are printed below.

### ALL ENTRIES GOOD

The VOICE is grateful for the wonderful response of Small Fry readers. We received many poems and suggestions, and, by golly, you really put us on the spot to come up with a winner. All the entries were good, and we encourage all our January poets to keep up the good work. Continue sending in your poems and suggestions and have your friends do the same.

Remember how the poems are are judged—on originality, neatness, best subject matter, and best rhyming in relation to the author's age. So get started today for that February contest . . . and you may be a dollar richer for your efforts. The deadline is Jan. 10. Good luck!

## Faith

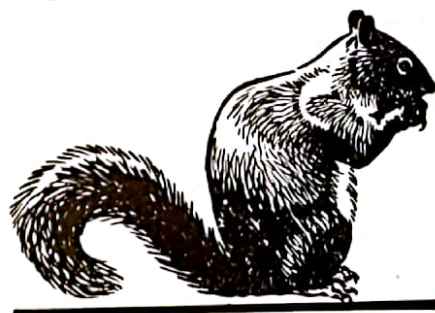
By BRENDA LEA PRICE

Our soldiers fight,  
For what is right,  
To keep our country good and bright,  
Our soldiers fight with guns,  
To save our sons.  
So sleep tight,  
Wake up bright,  
In the morning light.

## A Few Jokes

By NORMA SHELTON

Billy—"This match won't light."  
Dad—"What's wrong with it?"  
Billy—"I don't know, it lit just a minute ago."





# playground

Andy—"What did the colt say when he cleared his throat?"

Gerald—"I don't know."

Andy—"Excuse me, I'm a little horse."

Passenger—"You'll bring me down safely, won't you?"

Pilot—"I've never left anyone up here yet."

Customer — "Do you have any wallpaper?"

Clerk—"Yes, lots of it."

Customer—"Can I put it on myself?"

Clerk—"Yes, but it would look better on the wall."



## How They Got Started:

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, a famous nurse, started her career by nursing her own and her sisters' dolls, and by giving tender assistance to sick and wounded animals.

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL stumbled upon the invention of the telephone while trying to perfect a hearing device to aid his deaf wife.

## FIDO

### He's A Funny Trick Dog

Fido is a funny little dog made of pipe cleaners. And what tricks he will perform for you!



FIG-1

You need two pipe cleaners and an empty thread spool. Tie the end of one cleaner into a double knot (Figure 1) for Fido's head. Cut an inch off the other end and slip it through the knot for Fido's ears.

Twist a piece of cleaner around the first one to make the front legs (Figure 2). Turn the feet in. Twist another piece on for the back legs. Turn these feet in, also.

Run a string through the thread spool. Fit Fido's front feet into

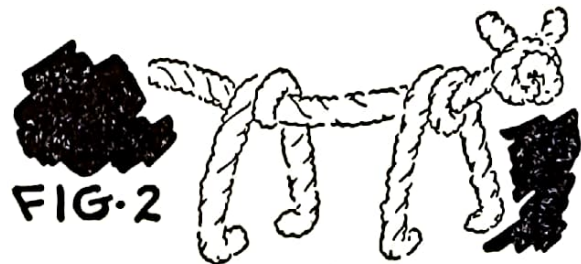


FIG-2

the hole. Pull him along a table top and watch him hop on his hind legs (Figure 3). Once in a while he will dive forward on his nose.

Put all four of Fido's feet into the spool and he will do acrobatic balancing tricks as the spool moves forward. He will perform at his best on a table from which the cloth has been removed.

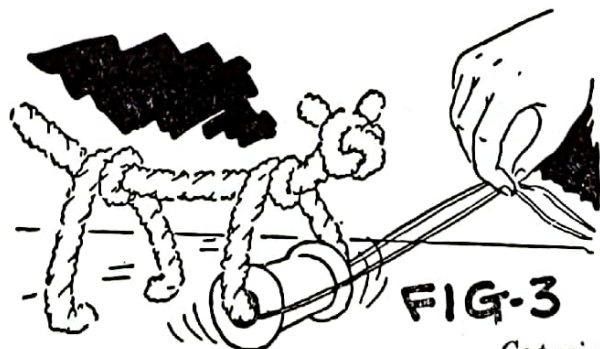


FIG-3

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**FATE OF A FABRIC...** *Lovely Betty Jean White of the Lowland Textile Lab models a colour-gold, Martini Designed, afternoon creation woven with 75/45 Perl glo Enka Rayon.*

*Betty Jean, who finds time besides her duties at Enka to play the organ at WGRK, Morristown, Tenn., attended business school in Nashville, enjoys swimming and loves dogs.*



## How About a Den-Bedroom?

Have you ever thought about a combination den-bedroom? They're practical . . . and they're fun. The picture below may give you an idea for making your own. This room originally was two rooms on different levels in an old house. The separating wall was removed and steps and built-in cabinets installed to make a large single room with a feeling of two rooms.

The family for whom *Living for Young Homemakers* Magazine designed this room had purchased an early Regency bedroom set a few years before and used it in a smaller bedroom. They wanted to combine these bedroom pieces with modern

furnishings in a contemporary room. The vanity now serves as a desk and the dresser as a decorative chest of drawers.

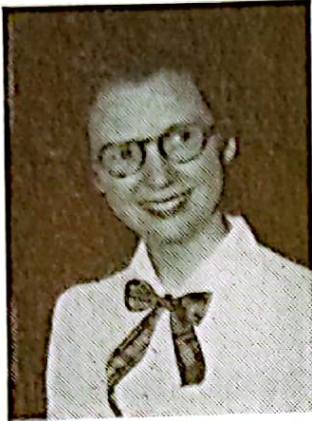
These traditional pieces are intermixed with the modern lounge chair, card table and side chairs, and slat table-bench through both parts of the room. Modern fabrics were used because they fit so well with the simple design of the early Regency pieces. The modern wool and fiber rugs also tie the whole together with their traditional feeling. Terra cotta and russet wall colors were chosen as the most effective background for the different woods used in the room.

*This combination den-bedroom was designed so that traditional and modern furniture could be intermixed into a harmonious blend of past and present.*





## Celebrate with Coconut Kisses



Mrs. Balch

Since one of the most popular ways to celebrate a new year is with kisses, the VOICE'S first recipe of 1952 is for a cookie treat called coconut kisses.

This recipe is a favorite of Mrs. Lela Balch of the Plant Industrial Engineering Dept. at Lowland.

### COCONUT KISSES

|                           |                              |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2 stiff beaten egg whites | 1/2 cup chopped nut meats    |
| 1 cup brown sugar         | 1 cup shredded coconut       |
| 2 cups corn flakes        | 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract |

Beat egg whites and sugar (granulated sugar may be substituted for brown). Fold in corn flakes, nut meats, and coconut. Add vanilla. Drop batter from teaspoon onto a well greased cookie sheet. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 15 to 20 minutes. Place pan on damp towel, and remove cookies. Makes 11 1/2 dozen cookies.

### On the Back Cover . . .

Joe Kroes, supervisor of the Glass Blowing Dept. at Enka, makes a pump-testing flask while Mrs. M. T. Cogdill holds a caliper which measures its size. Our Glass Blowing Depts. make and repair all special glassware used in lab-work and in the spinning process. Photo by G. Spaanbroek.

## LOGIC OF THE LEAST



◆ A little boy came home from school with a terrible report card for January. "My goodness," said his mother, "what happened?"

"Oh, nothing special," answered Billy. "You know how it is. Things are always marked down after the holidays."

◆ "Me slept with daddy last night," said the small child to the kindergarten teacher who believed in correct grammar, even by the very young.

With emphasis, the teacher said, "I slept with daddy last night." "Well, then," said the child, "you must have come in after I went to sleep."

◆ Dad criticized the sermon. Mother thought the organist made a lot of mistakes. Sister didn't like the choir's singing. But they all shut up when little Billy chipped in with the remark: "I think it was a darn good show for a nickel."





*Evening Mist*

*Photo by G. Spaanbroek*



